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## Shifting Tones

**Directions:** Read each short dialogue carefully. Notice how the speaker's tone changes when a different expression is used. Then, explain how the tone shifts and what emotion or attitude the expression adds to the conversation.

### 1. Dialogue A:

Ava: "Don't worry, you'll do great on the test."

Liam: "Thanks, I'll try my best."

### Dialogue B:

Ava: "Don't worry, you'll do great on the test."

Liam: "Thanks, I'll just *wing it*."

→ How does Liam's tone change between Dialogue A and Dialogue B?

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### 2. Dialogue A:

Maya: "We lost the game again."

Noah: "Yeah, that's too bad."

### Dialogue B:

Maya: "We lost the game again."

Noah: "Yeah, that's the way the *cookie crumbles*."

→ How does Noah's use of the expression affect his tone?

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### 3. Dialogue A:

Zoe: "I think we should start over."

Ben: "You're right. Let's do it carefully."

### Dialogue B:

Zoe: "I think we should start over."

Ben: "You're right. Let's *wipe the slate clean*."

→ How does Ben's expression change the feeling of his reply?

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